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FIRST AMENDMENT

This amendment responds to the Office Action mailed February 6, 2004. Please cancel claims 1-3, 10-14, and 17-20 without prejudice and please amend the remaining claims as specified below. After entry of this amendment, the only claims remaining in the application are claims that have been indicated as allowable or that depend from an allowable claim. Applicant's remarks begin on page 6.